GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TEXTILES
LOK SABHA

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Labour Intensive Textile Sector
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Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has approved any special package for labour intensive textile sector;
(b) if so, the total amount sanctioned and the method of distribution of these funds to the textile sector especially garments manufacturing sector;

(c) the expected number of jobs to be created by providing these funds to the textile sector;

(d) whether the Government is having any proposal to bear the EPF contribution of employers; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF TEXTILES
(SMT. SMRITI ZUBIN IRANI)

(a) & (b): Yes Madam. Government has approved a special package of approx. Rs. 6,000 crore for apparel sector. Funds approved under the package shall be distributed through Amended Technology Upgradation Fund Scheme, Rebate of State Levies Scheme and Employees" Provident Fund Organisation.

(c): It is expected that the special package will generate approx. 1 crore direct and indirect jobs in the textiles sector over the next three years.

(d) & (e): Yes Madam. Government will bear the entire 12% of employer's contribution towards Employee Provident Fund (EPF) for all new employees earning up to Rs. 15,000 per month enrolling in EPFO, for the first 3 years i.e. 8.33% under Pradhan Mantri Rojgar Protsahan Yojana (PMRPY) and 3.67% under Pradhan Mantri Paridhan Rojgar Protsahan Yojana (PMPRPY).

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